Cathedral Park Project Area – Community Science Education Pilot Project for EPA's Initial Sampling Work in Fall 2021!

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What: Potential hands-on, in-person community science activities (such as mock sampling) at the Cathedral Park Project Area!

When: Anticipated for late summer or early fall 2021, but schedules are always subject to change.

Why? As part of the Portland Harbor Superfund Site cleanup work, EPA is starting initial sampling of the Cathedral Park Project Area (see image). Based on feedback from community members, EPA wants to pilot some community science educational activities around this initial sampling work.

Who:

- ✓ Students (elementary, middle, high-school, and university)
- ✓ Educators
- ✓ Interested community members, especially in the St. Johns and Cathedral Park neighborhoods



Cathedral Park Project Area outlined in black. Colored areas represent anticipated areas for cleanup.

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What is the Portland Harbor Superfund Site?

The Portland Harbor Superfund Site is about 10 miles of the Lower Willamette River where the sediments (river bottom), ground water, surface water, and riverbanks were contaminated with toxic chemicals that continue to threaten the environment and the health of people who eat resident fish.

EPA (federal regulator) and the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (state regulator) are working on the cleanup. Please visit epa.gov/superfund/portland-harbor for more information!

Are You Interested?

Right now, EPA would like to know if **you** are interested in this community science education pilot project!

If you or anyone you know is interested, please contact:

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Thank you!